"B" DIVISION

CANADIAN PROVINCIAL POLICE
C.I.D. REGISTRY
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(C.I.D.) Office Note

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A/S/C. (or)

Please let me have reports from Supt Dawson on the nature of the work performed by C.I.D. men at their stations, particularly regarding patrolling licensed premises & second hand shops. Do they inspect pawnshops..?

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

C.I.D. B. Division

REPORT

Date January 30. 1929.

Subject (in full) General work of members of C.I.D.

Made By and Forwarded by Det. Supt. Kay

Herewith reports from the Senior Detectives i/c regarding C.I.D. work at Stations in "B" Division.

During the short time I have been in this Division I have found that most stations have been kept very busy in dealing with criminal work. Where, however, there has been spare time this has been occupied in dealing with particular phases of crime such as snatching of handbags in the Western district, thefts of motor car accessories outside cinemas, pickpocketing at cinemas, etc. It has also been necessary on several occasions to temporary transfer C.D.Cs. to districts where there has been a sudden rush of work.

Visits to pawnshops, second hand shops, etc. seem to be carried out well, considering the amount of work at present. I have impressed on Senior Detectives that C.I.D. men should not hang round the Charge Room or Detective Office waiting for work but should get out on patrol or visit licensed premises.

A/A.C. (Crime)

W Kay

C. I. D. SUPERINTENDENT, DIVISION B.

Supt. B

Please convey remarks of D.C.s. to those concerned.

A.C.P. (C.I.)

Supt. i/c C.I. Work

Complied with. Reports enclosed.

6/2/29.

D.I.C.

8/2/29

Shanghai Municipal Police.

Central Station.

February 5th, 1929.

REPORT ON Work of Station Detectives.

Made by D. S. I. Tinkler, *Forwarded by* Delany Cr.

The following report relates to the remarks of the A/ D. C. I. on my report (herewith) dated January 30th, 1929.

Re Foreign detectives visiting licenced premises, second-hand goods shops and pawnshops, arrangements have been made for more frequent visits as much as possible.

Work of Japanese Detective. J. D. C. Umemoto enquiries into all Japanese cases and acts as interpreter where Japanese are involved. His work is satisfactory.

Bank Detective. It was not intended to convey the impression in my previous report that these men are regarded as Central men, but they are in closer connection with Central than with any other branch and are supervised from this station when the banks are visited.

Arrangements have now been made for Chinese detectives to report at different times.

Four Chinese detectives remain in the station each day except Sunday (three) for station duty. They go out with Foreign detectives as required and it is absolutely necessary that they should always be available from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at least. Occasionally four men prove insufficient.

None of the Central detectives live in Central District.

One C. D. C. has been detailed to visit the pawnshops in the district without this interfering with his ordinary duties.

The remarks of the A/ D. C. I. have been impressed on all the detectives at this station as instructed.

D. S. I.

Supt. " B " Division.

4/2/29 WWK.

A. C. P. (Crime).

Shanghai Municipal Police.

Central Station.

January 30th. 1929.

REPORT ON Work of Station Detectives.

Made by D. S. I. Tinkler, Forwarded by

Foreign Detectives (Strength five including D. S. I. Bebenin.)

The Foreign Detectives are all expected to be available during office hours for ordinary duty and, with the exception of very new men, take a turn each at night duty i.e. one Foreign Detective is responsible for cases occurring between 6 p.m. and 8 a.m. If he is unable to deal with everything that occurs during his night duty he may call the Senior detective and ask for extra assistance. This is rarely necessary however. At present patrols by Foreign detectives are practically out of the question owing to pressure of work.

The Russian detective is frequently detailed for special work such as looking for pickpockets etc. in the Foreign Banks, Lyceum Theatre and so on.

The Foreign D. S. I. and Russian Detective must attend the Stadium at nights or Saturday afternoons about four times per month each.

Foreign Detectives have no regular schedule for visiting licensed premises and rarely visit second hand shops or pawn shops.

Japanese Detective (one). He reports daily and deals with all Japanese cases.

Chinese Detectives.

One Inspector, 2 Sergeants and 16 Constables for ordinary duty (One constable has been detached to office of Supt. " B " Division for a few months.)

Five Bank Detectives who report to the station perform the work of private detectives only.

This must be attended to. Supt B Superintendent Kiley. What does he mean exactly does he mean he is to carry on his present duty?

Here are the H.Q. Strength Schedules for reference. Left Commissioner's Central Office.

Shanghai Municipal Police.

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For convenience the district has been divided into 15 sections for each of which a C. D. C. is responsible.

All Chinese detectives report to the station morning and afternoon. One Sergeant and four C. D. C's. remaining on Station Duty throughout the day. The Sergeant is chiefly for office work. From 10 p.m. onwards one C. D. C. stays in the station for night duty.

Chinese detectives visit pawn shops, second hand shops and curio shops. They only visit licensed premises in the course of enquiries re. particular cases. There are only five pawn shops in this district and there is no special man detailed for pawn shop duty.

Chinese detectives are frequently detailed for special duty and this will always account for several men (e.g. Two for special patrol about Siking Road and two detailed for Telephone wire thefts this month.)

Each detective is expected to patrol his section as much as possible but no regular hours can be fixed.

Supt. " B " Division.

A. C. P. (Crime).

Central has done well but I want recently to keep Sr. Det to it...

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to Det. s/c. Central please note reasons & s/c! + reply to queries W.H.K. 1/2/29.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Louza Station,

REPORT

Date 4th February 1929

Subject (in full) Further report on C.I.D. work at Louza Station.

Made by, C.D.I. Coyle Forwarded by J. MacKenzie C/I.

Sir,

I beg to append the following answers to the queries of the A/D.C.I. on the work of the C.I.D. Staff at Louza Station.

(1) The foreign detectives on night duty is supposed to remain in the Station during his tour of duty. The C. may be allowed out but must be available immediately his presence is required.

(2) At present I have D.S. White, D.C.-Sgt. O'Neill and D.C.-Sgt. Bland at this Station.

D.F.C. Sgt. McPhee is in Hospital. D.S. Weir has only been at this Station for a limited period during the past three months having relieved D.-S. O'Neill for short leave in November, then sent to Gordon Road to relieve D.S. McFarlane who was sick and now back at Building Hall to assist in various cases there.

(3) The C.I. in charge Louza Station always requests the assistance of C.D.Cs. on these raids to examine the books and help to question suspects.

(4) If motors were available to accompany the C.I.s these visits were made weekly.

(5) Appointments are often very loosely made by the writers of these letters and more often than not the appointment is never kept by the writers. Detectives however have to keep watch

Has sent a B Roll when Station was weak and was in charge of escort of large gang of Kidnappers. will be returning to Louza soon; will c/f/29

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for suspicious looking individuals who they think might be connected with the case.

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D. D. I.

Supt's B Division.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Louza Station,

REPORT

Date 29-1-1929

(Full) Report on work of C.I.D. Staff, Louza.

Made by C.D.I. Quayle Forwarded by J.A. MacKenzie C/I

Sir,

With reference to your enquiry of January 25th 1929, I beg to forward the following particulars of the work performed by the C.I.D. Staff at Louza Station.

There are nominally 20 Chinese Detective Constables, 3 Chinese Detective Sergeants and 1 Chinese Detective Inspector on the C.I.D. Strength at Louza Station, but some of these are often temporarily transferred on special cases. The number of foreigners varies, there at present being 1 Chief Detective Inspector, 1 Det. Sgt., 1 P.C.Sgt., and 2 P.P.C.Sgts. Of the two latter one has been on the C.I.D. Branch for about 5 months whilst the other has been on only a few weeks.

The duties of the Foreign Staff are arranged as follows. All foreigners are expected to be in the office at 8 a.m. and remain on duty until 6 p.m. daily.

The numerous cases at Court making it so that the number of men actually available at any one time is very small.

At 6 p.m. one man is detailed for night duty with one man in reserve although it is understood that this applies to only ordinary routine cases. Should anything special occur such as information being received as to the whereabouts of gangs of

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kidnappers or robbers all detectives must immediately attend the office.

With regard to the Chinese Staff, of the C.D.Cs. four men are constantly on day and two on night duty at the Station. All these men have invariably to attend Court on the day following their period of Station duty as they have to enquire into all cases brought in by the uniform branch and give evidence at Court as to the results concerning their enquiries.

Parties consisting of four or five C.D.Cs. in charge of a C.D.S. are also detailed for special patrols when a series of crimes such as armed robberies, snatchings or burglaries occur in a certain locality and it appears likely that arrests can be effected by persons specially patrolling for that purpose.

Again it is necessary to have parties of detectives working together in threatening letter cases. In the latter cases when the complainant receives an invitation to attend a rendezvous for the payment of money or to make a further appointment, detectives are always present in some disguise or other.

Of the other special duties performed one C.D.C. is detailed to attend, report on, and find out about all meetings either of a Political or other nature which take place in the

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District.

Another C.D.C. in addition to doing his ordinary Station Duty has to visit all theatres and roof gardens nightly to see that no plays etc. of unlawful or obscene character are performed.

Another C.D.C. who is a Cantonese is also put on Station Duty but in addition is expected to keep in touch with all the Cantonese activities in the District, more especially with regard to the employees of Sun Sun Coy., Sincere Coy., and Wing On Coy.

We have also a C.D.C. who is an expert on pawnshop characters and who examines all pawntickets found on suspects brought in on various cases.

When a search of a pawnshop where it is suspected stolen goods are concealed is made, the services of this C.D.C. are utilized in examining the pawnshop books and checking them with the articles pawned.

It is my intention when the Foreign Staff is again at full strength at this Station to organise frequent and sudden inspections of pawnshops books and property with the aid of this C.D.C. but for obvious reasons he must be accompanied on these inspections by a Foreign Detective of experience.

With regard to other licenced premises constant visits

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are paid to lodging houses by the uniform staff which is always accompanied by two Chinese Detectives.

The "Specials" also pay periodical visits to the lodging houses, and foreign and Chinese detectives are detailed to accompany them on these visits.

I have been informed by T.I. MacKenzie that endeavours are being made to have a permanent search party consisting of 1 Foreigner and 25 Chinese for lodging house visits only. If this arrangement comes into force it will be necessary to detail C.I.Cs. to accompany the party on their visits.

Second hand shops are visited and searched when information reaches us that stolen property is concealed on the premises. These have no licence, and therefore there are no stated conditions under which the Police can conduct a search, if however in interrogating a prisoner he states that he has sold property to these shops an immediate search of the premises is made.

Cafes in the district are visited frequently by Foreign Detectives. A constant close supervision is also kept on teashops as they form a fruitful ground for the obtaining of information. Reward and Wanted notices are also distributed in the teashops. Garages and Hospitals are also visited as the occasion arises.

(3) Not unless asked for & specially ordered. They are visited by Det. RCH

(4) do you mean regularly? Probably but not without previous notice RCH

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In addition to the above duties we have constant applications for assistance from the French Police and Chinese Authorities and when this assistance is wanted in connection with the arrest of armed kidnappers or threatening letter writers it is sometimes necessary to detail detectives on these cases for days at a time to keep a watch for suspected persons.

(5) Why days at a time on such work Ref

Three of the Staff have been found to be excellent at obtaining concise Chinese statements from prisoners and in all important cases their services are utilized for this purpose.

There are also numerous anonymous letters, enquiries re suspected persons and also information wanted by Headquarters dealt with by the C.I.D. Staff.

To all the above I should like to add that an enormous amount of time which could otherwise be profitably used is spent at the Provisional Court as in any major case which is completed there is sure to be a trial, appeal and often a retrial before the case is finally disposed of.

Asst Supt "B" Div. Jas Teagle. CO1

Addendum:

Licenced Clubs are also visited by Chinese and Foreign Dets. at irregular intervals.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Sinza Station,

REPORT

Date January 29, 1929.

Subject (in full) Nature of work performed by C.I.D. of Sinza Station.

Made by D.S.I. Henry. Forwarded by Inspector [illegible]

Sir;

With reference to your memo dated January 25, 1929, I beg to forward particulars of the work performed by C.I.D. men of this station which consisits of 5 foreigners and 16 Chinese.

Referring to patrols the district is divided into 11 sections, which are patrolled at intervals by Chinese detectives providing they are not employed or required to assist in work of more importance.

Licensed premises are visited regularly by members of the Uniform branch but only by detectives in the course of enquiries regarding persons wanted in connection with some previously reported case, or who have assembled there for the purpose of committing a crime.

Second hand shops are visited regularly with a view to recovering stolen property and furnishing the proprietor with the description of articles recently stolen. This work is done by Chinese detectives usually accompanied by a foreigner providing work of more importance does not require attention. Pawnshops are also visited and the books inspected but none of the detectives attached to this station are qualified to understand the entries made in reference to articles pledged, with the result that articles recently pawned are produced for inspection.

In order to investigate thoroughly reports received during the day, it is always essential that 3 men are on station duty between 8 A.M. & 10 P.M. and 1 man from 10 P.M. to 8 A.M. but sometimes owing to increase in crime it is necessary to add to this number.

Cases handled by these detectives during their tour of station duty usually calls for their appearance at Court the

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No need to make this out. Know it's the thing is to keep them off it & not let them look about. RCH

following morning, and when a remand is necessary, they are sometimes employed for several days collecting further evidence, with the result that patrolling the sections allotted to them is sometimes impossible.

G B Henry

D.S.I.

Supt. B. Division.

To Det
c/c Sergt

Please put remarks of a/S.C.I. & return.
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A.C. (Crime).

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G B Henry
2/2/29 DSI

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C.I.D. CRIME REPORT. Bubbling Well Police Station.

January 29th, 1929. Record No.

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Sir,

The following is the nature of duties performed by foreign and Chinese detectives attached to Bubbling Well Station.

Three foreigners-

Senior Detective- Important cases and general supervision.

One Det. Sergt.- Station duties, enquiring into cases reported and cases brought in by Chinese detectives and Court work.

One Russian detective- General Station work, more particularly where Russians are involved.

Not understood why Station work, he is not an interpreter. RSM

Eleven Chinese detectives-

One C.D.S.I.- Inquiring into important cases and supervising work of junior men.

Two C.D.S.s- Inquiring into special cases and assisting C.D.C.s in their cases, also conducting inquiries into cases of their own.

Eight C.D.C.s- During every 24 hours, two on Station duty during the day, one on night duty, one inspecting pawnshops- no second hand shops and only one lodging house in Bubbling Well District. At least two on special patrol for bag snatchers. C.D.C.s have also to attend Court and inquire into remand cases, and cases they inquired into whilst on Station duty.

A Gault

D.S.I.

Superintendent, Division B.

Si Det
y/c B. W.
Please reply to A.S.D.C's query.
4/2/29 WWK.

General Station work — This refers to cases reported, in which detectives have to enquire

A Gault.

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Shanghai Municipal Police.

Gordon Road Station.

January 28, 1929.

REPORT ON Memo issued on January 25th Re.Patrolling District.

Made by D.S.McFarlane Forwarded by [illegible] Supt

Sir,

With reference to the above I beg to report that this district(Gordon Road) is divided in four sections with two detectives responsible for each section. Pawnshops and teashops are visited during the ordinary rounds of patrol. The C.D.Cs. spend about 9 hours per day in patrol and conferences at the station,(a.m. and p.m.). In addition,the C.D.Cs. put in time at teashops,bath-houses,etc,where they meet their informers and friends in attempting to obtain information,on other cases.

There are no lodging houses or second-hand shops in this district.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J.A.McFarlane.
D.S.113.

Supt. "B" Division.

Sr Det.
Yc Gordon Rd.
Please answer queries
1/2/29. WWK.

Gordon Road Station.

6th. February,1929.

Sir,

With reference to the D.C.Is. query mentioned above I beg to explain that the C.D.Cs.come into the Station at different times to report occurrences or receive instructions and that is the reason why no particular times are stated in the original report.

J.A.McFarlane.
D.S.113.

Supt. "B" Division.

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Pootoo Road Station,

REPORT

Date January 29th 1929.

Subject (in full) Work performed by C.I.D. men attached to Pootoo Rd. Station.

Made by D.S.I. Campbell Forwarded by Insp. T Ring

Sir,

I beg to state that detectives before commencing their daily duties are instructed by the C.D.S. as to the road or roads they have to patrol and the duties they have to perform, if any, during their tour of duty, day and night duty detectives being exempt from this work.

Upon receipt of property reported stolen, detectives are notified at the earliest opportunity and ordered to make an inspection of pawn-brokers books and second-hand shops in the district and to visit these places periodically.

Detectives are requested to spend most of their time patrolling the district and upon receipt of important information to report such, as soon as possible.

Your obedient servant,

J. G. Campbell

D. S. I.

Supt. Division B.

A.C.P.

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Your obedient servant,

D. S. I.

Supt. Division B.

A.C.P. (Crime).